



County of Los Angeles Child Care Planning Committee
“Investing in Early Educators”
Environment Rating Scales Training Program

FAMILY CHILD CARE ENVIRONMENT RATING SCALE (FCCERS)
For family child care providers participating in Family Child Care Home Education Networks

The Office of Child Care, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles Child Care Planning Committee and the UCLA Center for Improving Child Care Quality, is pleased to announce an upcoming training cohort on how to use the following program assessment tool:

FAMILY CHILD CARE ENVIRONMENT RATING SCALE (FCCERS)

The training will encompass an overview of the rating scale and how to use it to evaluate your family child care home. This is a beginning level training for the family child care home owner/operator with limited experience in using the measure, scoring the observations, and using the results to plan for program improvement activities and staff development.

Participant Eligibility Requirements

The training cohort of the FCCERS is offered to family child care home owners/operators working in California Department of Education/Child Development Division (CDE/CDD)-contracted Family Child Care Home Education Networks certified by their Network Program Director/Administrator.

Training Schedule

Session 1: Tuesday, April 17, 2007 ▪ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Session 2: Tuesday, May 1, 2007 ▪ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Session 3: Tuesday, May 8, 2007 ▪ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**** Participants *must* attend *all* three half-day sessions and *must* complete a practice FCCERS between Sessions 1 and 2.**

Cohort Selection Process

Because of the comprehensiveness of the training, the cohort is limited to 20 people. Participants will be enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis; however we will attempt to achieve broad representation of the Networks and the geographic spread of the county.

If you meet the eligibility criteria and are interested in participating in the training cohort for the FCCERS, please complete the [Participant Application and Network Director/Administrator's Certification and Agreement](#) and send to the Office of Child Care by **Friday, March 23, 2007**. If selected, your participation in the training cohort will be confirmed in early April 2007.

Questions about the FCCERS training cohort may be directed to Michele Sartell at the Office of Child Care by telephone at (213) 974-5187 or by e-mail at msartell@cao.lacounty.gov.



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PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: _____
(* ***Must be Family Child Care Home licensee/owner/operator***)

Name of Family Child Care Home: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Family Child Care Home Address:

- ☐ I want to sign up for the Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale (FCCERS) Training Cohort

➤ **Dates:** (***must attend all three sessions***)

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***** Practice FCCERS must be completed by participant between Sessions 1 and 2.***

- ☐ I have enclosed a copy of my Family Child Care Home License.

- ☐ I have enclosed the completed and signed Network Program Director/Administrator's Certification and Agreement.

***** Family Child Care Home operator/owner applying to participate in the FCCERS Training Cohort must submit a copy of their Family Child Care Home license with this application.***



Please send your application by fax or mail to:

"Investing in Early Educators" ERS Training

Office of Child Care

222 South Hill Street, 5th Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Fax: (213) 217-5106

Applications with supporting documentation due: Friday, March 23, 2007.

Participants selected for the Training Cohort will be notified in early April 2007.



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NETWORK PROGRAM DIRECTOR/ADMINISTRATOR’S CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT

_____ (*training applicant*) is submitting an application to participate in a cohort training on how to use the Family Child Care Environment Rating Scale (FCCERS) to perform self-assessments and begin to identify areas for improvement. Participants selected to participate **must** attend all three half-day sessions of the cohort and conduct a practice FCCERS at their site between Sessions 1 and 2.

Please review the cover letter and Participant Application carefully to ensure that the training applicant meets the eligibility criteria to participate and can commit to attending **all** three half-day sessions and conduct the practice session.

The following certification and agreement are to be completed and signed by the Family Child Care Home Education Network Program Director/Administrator:

I certify that the applicant is a provider in a licensed family child care home that is in a Family Child Care Home Education Network administered by _____ (*name of agency*).

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Network Program Director/Administrator’s Name (*Please Print*)

Network Program Director/Administrator’s Signature

Date

The Office of Child Care reserves the right to verify that the information provided in this application is true.